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ELECTION OF SPECIES

Hon. Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

As requested in the Office communication mailed to undersigned counsel on July 6, 2006, with respect to the above-identified species, applicant elects as a single disclosed anionic contaminant species those claims still standing in the case that are readable on arsenic. Applicant believes that claims 26 through 29, inclusive, and claims 33 through 35, inclusive, are readable on an arsenic contaminant.

Applicant and applicant's undersigned counsel, moreover, express their appreciation to Messrs Ivars Cintins and Duane Smith for their very swift and most helpful responses to counsel's request for assistance in this matter.

The Examiner is respectfully urged to communicate with counsel at the number noted below if it will advance the prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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